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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Douglas M. Dillon  
Appl'n. No.: 08/838,242  
Filed: April 16, 1997  
For: Satellite Broadcasting System Employing  
Channel Switching



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Examiner: Unassigned

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

March 19, 1999

Sir:

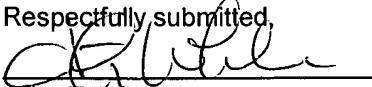
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- Petition for Extension of time is attached hereto. If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.
- An extension for \_\_\_\_\_ months(s) has already been secured; the fee paid therefor of is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.
- Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.
- The fee for claims is calculated below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	74 minus	41 =	33 X	\$ 18.00	\$ 594.00	
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	6 minus	3 =	3 X	\$ 78.00		234.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS			+ \$	260.00		260.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:						\$ 1,088.00

Charge \$1,088.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-0383 of Hughes Electronics Corporation, El Segundo, California. Please charge any additional fees for claims or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0383.

Respectfully submitted,

  
John T. Whelan

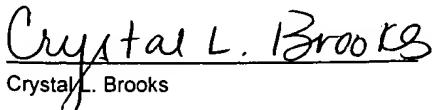
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